City of Pleasanton Library Adult Literacy/ESL: The Pleasanton Reads Project Student Information

Choose resources below that match current level of experience and abilities with written or spoken English.

Early Beginner Students - little or no experience with written or spoken English:

Pleasanton Career and Adult Education

Programs include:

- ESL and U.S. Citizenship Test Preparation
- HiSET (High School Equivalency)
- Parent and Community Education
- College and Career Education (including computer skills)

Placement test required for all new students. ESL instruction prepares learners to move on to community college programs. ESL classes are free of charge.

Beginning-High Intermediate Students:

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Students must have English verbal and written skills sufficient enough to register with the program. Library programs and services are free of charge.

- Applicants participate in a brief interview with Literacy staff and complete online Student Registration
- Students must be 18 years of age or older
- Pleasanton residents will be given priority placement with tutors
- Free English Conversation Groups meet weekly at the Library for students to practice their English skills; no registration is required to attend these meetings
- Students may check out English study materials with a Library Card

Note: tutors are all volunteers; there may be a significant waiting period before placement.

Advanced Students:

Las Positas College ESL Program

Las Positas College offers a comprehensive ESL Program which includes six levels of instruction: two semesters of beginning, two semesters of intermediate, and two semesters of advanced courses. The program focuses on academic language skills: reading, writing, grammar, and oral communication. To complement the instructional program, the College provides assessment, counseling, orientation, and special support services such as free tutoring for all ESL and international students.

The Las Positas ESL Program prepares students for vocational or certificate programs, non-ESL college-level coursework, and eventual transfer to four-year college or university.